AMENDED CLAIMS:

40.   (Amended) The system of claim 39, wherein the performance characteristics comprise network transmission time and a client processing speed time for received client events.

42.   (Amended) The system of claim 41, wherein:

each state event received by the queue manager has associated aggregation functionality; and

the queue manager is configured to initiate aggregation by executing the aggregation functionality associated with the received state event.

44.   (Amended) The system of claim 43, wherein the object state manager is further configured to, upon first connecting to the respective input data stream, send a request to the state dispatch module to obtain the current states of product offerings carried on the respective data stream, the obtained currents states being used to initialize the associated object cache.